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HUDSON'S BAY STORES

Hilliard Opera House

Monday, Feb. 10.

Slayton Jubilee Singers

The Leading Colored Concert
Company of America.

Elected at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trade Last Night.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade of the District of Rat Portage was held in the town hall last evening, when the following officers were elected for 1902:

President—W. G. Cameron.
Vice President—A. H. Horn.
Sec. Treas.—John Dean.
Members of the Council—F. Gardner, W. A. Weir, Geo. Drewwy, Geo. P. Phillips, W. Margach, S. S. Cummins, D. C. Cameron, C. E. Neads.

A resolution was passed expressing the regret the board felt at losing the services of the retiring secretary, E. A. Chapman, who was compelled by ill-health to sever his connection.

The address of the retiring president, C. E. Neads, reviewed the work of the past year and the condition of the different industries which contribute to the prosperity of the town and district.

The most interesting part of the proceedings was the reading and confirmation of the minutes of the special meeting held Jan. 31, which we believe will be of special interest to our readers. Following is a complete text from the secretary's book:

Rat Portage, Ont.
31st January, 1902.

A special meeting of the Board of Trade of the district of Rat Portage and of the citizens of Rat Portage, was held today in the town hall, to meet a committee appointed by the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider the matter of the numerous fires that have taken place in the town this winter, to discuss their cause, and find out as far as possible if special blame was attached to anyone, and whether negligence could be charged.

The members of the Fire Underwriters' Ass'n present were Messrs. Waugh, Bradley, Scrimmes and Bruce. The Board of Trade members present were: C. E. Neads, president; Jacob Horn, vice-president; Messrs. Horn, Shraggo, McKenzie, Gerrie, Schwartz, Rieth, Pennock, Drewwy, Clark, G. E. Smith, Nicholson, J. G. Johnson, Dunn, Ross, Campbell, W. G. Cameron, Currie, Cummins, Phillips, McCarthy, Verker, C. H. Austin,

plying to a question of the chairman as to when the hydrants were last tested, the chief answered "On Saturday afternoon." (The fire took place at 3.15 on Monday morning.)

Alderman Horswill, chairman of the fire, water and light committee, explained the reason for keeping only one of the teams at the fire hall was that as the brigade was amateur and only one driver slept at the fire hall, the other team was kept across the way where driver number two lived, so that there was no real neglect, and that the two teams were ready for service at any time. Alderman Horswill addressed the meeting at considerable length and explained that Rat Portage had in reality three fire brigades, that of the citizens with 2,400 feet of hose, that of the Lumber Company with 500 feet and steam pressure, and that of the C.P.R. with 500 feet. Both the C.P.R. and Lumber Company brigades have proved their usefulness on several occasions.

Mr. Pennock, manager of the Bank of Ottawa, asked the chief of the fire brigade to state length of time before water was turned on, the chief answered, "between seven and nine minutes."

Mr. J. K. Brydon, local agent for the Royal Insurance Co. suggested that a strong committee be appointed to communicate with the Fire Underwriters' Associations of Toronto and Montreal and to lay before them the undistorted facts of late fires.

Mr. Geo. Drewwy said that it was unimportant to allow unfounded reports to be sent out broadcast and that the communities should be emphatically re-tuted.

Mr. Horn, of Messrs. Horn & Taylor, referred to the strong pressure in the mains on the night of the last fire and pointed out the tremendous difficulty of fighting fire under the circumstances, the temperature being nearly 10 degrees below zero and a strong wind blowing; he praised the brigade for their excellent work which could not, he said, have been bettered by a paid brigade.

It was moved by Mr. Geo. Phillips and seconded by Mr. J. K. Brydon, "That Messrs. Geo. Drewwy, S. S. Cummins, A. C. Bryce and the president of the Board of Trade be a committee of this council to draft desirable resolutions deprecating the unfair rumors which have been circulated by certain newspapers as to the cause or causes contributory to the loss of property at the Hilliard House fire."

This motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Rieth then asked if the persons who sent out the erroneous press dispatches could not be criminally prosecuted and suggested that steps be

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The science of mining engineering, guided by a study of the geology of our deposits, has accomplished wonders in recent years along the line of scientific exploration; both on the surface and underground. But there are many problems not in daily practice of vast and often vital importance which, owing to the conditions, it is simply impossible for the engineer to solve, no matter how thorough his training or wide his experience.

Such problems as these: Determination of the location of blind ledges, without extensive prospect work; determination of the direction of dip of blind ledges and of ledges which crop on level ground, without development work; determination of the position of the apexes and direction of dip of the principal pay chutes in blind ledges and in undeveloped ledges without development work; determination of the line followed by the pay streak in placer ground in advance of workings or previous to the commencement of work; absolute determination of the existence or non-existence of mineral bearing ore bodies in any special area of ground, their location, (if found to exist), their approximate depth from the surface, and their comparative size and richness.

This is the class of problems which the metal mining operator daily meets; and the best science could do for him until lately, was to make a wise guess and then do work to prove whether the guess was correct or not. It is said that more money is annually spent in this kind of unproductive work than the total net product of the mineral industry amounts to.

The different sciences, in a truly suggestive spirit of kindness, as their development progresses, constantly offer suggestions and actual aid to each other.

Some of the branches of the science of electricity have made great strides in recent years. These now unite to offer the means for solving the difficult problems of mining engineering.

The dream of the centuries is at last realized by this hard-working, practical engineering. The ancient mystery of how to tell where to dig for the precious metals has been solved by the latest investigation of modern science.

reveals at once the location of all the metallic mineral in the ground measured over.

The lines or areas of low resistance can be marked out on the map and staked on the ground with as much certainty that they indicate the location of ore, as the civil engineer can map out the varying elevations of the surface or as the assayer can determine the value of samples.

The field practice is developing an entirely new art. The scientific name for the Mineral Finder is the Terrameter, and the new art is called Terrametric surveying.

Earth resistance could not be measured until the invention of this instrument, and consequently those who operate it are daily collecting data new and interesting to the scientific world.

The apparatus consists of a battery, the Terrameter, some brass rods and insulated copper wire. The operator directs the work of laying the wires and placing the rods, keeps account of the measurements, and plans the work as it proceeds, in accordance with the result obtained.

After having located some body of mineral deposit of any kind, he now proceeds to find out as much about it as possible. The first thing is the depth from the surface. It is a long established principle that the current will follow the path of least resistance, so that in order to reach a deep ore body, it is necessary to place the rods a long distance apart. To determine the depth of an ore body already located, the measurements over it are successively shortened until they no longer give any indication of ore.

No attempt can at present be made to tell the kind of ore, but this can generally be judged accurately by the record of the district. The survey aid in making this judgment because it indicates the size and extent of the ore body.

Mr. Anthony Hann, of Boston, who owns the patent for Ontario, was at the Russell house Saturday and gave an exhibition of this wonderful apparatus to a few mining friends. Mr. Hann left Monday night, for the property of the Twentieth Century Mining Co., of which he is general manager, where he will put the machine to actual use.

NORMAN SCHOOL REPORT.

The Standing of Pupils for the Month of January.

St. IV.—Laura Lange, Irene Little, Marie McMurphy, Roy McMurphy, Jr., IV.—Flossie Snider, Ruth Greenwood, Roy Green.

Made in

About 9:30 when the guests sat down to table laden with eatables, everyone being delighted with the food and hostess. After supper, songs and speeches were the order of the evening. Miss Ethel McIntosh rendered in an effective manner "The Bonnie Bonnie Banks of Lochmood" and Mr. Greenwood sang in good style "Annie Laurie." Short and amusing speeches were given by the clergymen and firemen. Some were short hours away on the trail as the guests bided their time of pleasantry to send their way homewards, each was heard saying to the other, "Didn't we have a fine time."

the growing interest in London at the prospect that will soon be recovered. London is renewing its old interest in Kafkas, and is planning great things in that line.

"The Rand is the world's richest storehouse of gold, all in what the West would call a little patch of ground 25 miles on either side of Johannesburg. It resembles anything but a mining district having the appearance of a grazing country. The reefs are accessible and rather easily worked. The deposits are unique in their unparalleled persistence of ore, which is interbedded in the quartz and sandstone. It is not of very high quality, yielding about \$10 per ton. There are about 10,000 stamps in the district, which crush 7,000,000 tons a year. The war has blown over Johannesburg without doing any vital damage to the plants.

Since its discovery in 1855, the Rand has yielded \$100,000,000 in gold; and just before the war it was yielding at the rate of \$100,000,000 a year, or one-third of the world's production—a rate which some years before, when the yield was but \$35,000,000 a year I had predicted would come before the end of the century.

"Yet with all this richness there may be some disillusionment in the next generation. The reefs, it is true, are over a mile deep, and the conditions favor development. The increase in temperature is only one degree for 300 feet, so that we can mine down 10,000 feet. The deposits, however, are not as asserted, practically unlimited. I believe that the future life of the Transvaal will not exceed 50 years, which means a yield of not much more than \$3,000,000,000. In 8 or 10 years after the peace the Rand will have reached its zenith.

The right of a stockholder to inspect a mine of which he is part owner is recognized in New Zealand more fully than in this country, or indeed in any other mining country in which we are aware. The Mining Law in 1898 provides that any person owning a share or interest in any mine is entitled to enter and inspect that mine, with or without an attendant expert, on any day between the hours of noon and 1 o'clock; and for any manager or director to obstruct such inspection is to commit an offence against the law, which is punishable by serious penalties. Even this is not considered sufficient, and a bill is now pending in the New Zealand Parliament to increase the time allowed and otherwise enlarge the stockholder's right to inspect the property.

Manager Hallet, of the Hilliard Opera House, has arranged with the Slavtyn Lyceum Bureau of Chicago for course of three entertainments to be given here on Feb. 10th, March 11th and 31st. The first will be the Slavtyn Jubilee Singers on Monday evening next. They come highly recommended by the press, and will no doubt present one of the best entertainments ever given in the opera house.

my chosen profession? Need I say that the indorsements of my district leader and congressional candidate, and those of my professional friends were literally thrown at my head? Need I say that my sweetheart wrote me an eighteen page double lined letter every day telling me that I couldn't lose? Need I add that everything in the big city I wanted came my way?—Is it not idle to tell you that one of the great men who directs the councils of his party and who is a power therein unlike any of the senators in as in the beginning of the administration, ought to have given me an assistant secretaryship and personally wished me luck?

"And need I tell you that the cabinet officer to whom I presented my paper frankly told me that, having no place vacant, he could not give me one; that I had my trouble for my pains and that the four black cats threw me down hard, that my sweetheart's nose and eyes were so red from weeping that she couldn't go to the theater and that I have for disposal the strongest set of indorsements which can be picked up on Pennsylvania Avenue in an hour's walk?"—Washington Star.

Enemies of the Fishes.
Hatchers of trout and other fish and that the finny tribe has more enemies than they ever supposed before they came into position to know. Mink and weasels will enter a pond and, using their claws as gaff hooks, pull numbers of the fry out of water. Hawks, kingfishers and herons are always on the watch, to say nothing of large ducks and geese.

A favorite method of killing the former sort of marauders is to line the ponds with tin. Then a mink or weasel getting into the water will find it impossible to climb out and may be shot or speared as desired.
Hawks and kingfishers have a way of alighting on some convenient perch near the pond. The fish hatcher makes a perch for them by erecting a pole with a groove in the top, cut so that a steel trap will just fit into it. When the next bird alights, it is caught and killed.

His Soft Spot.
"You must not touch the top of the baby's head," said a mother to her four-year-old. "She has a soft spot there that is very tender."

The youngster gazed at it curiously for a moment, and then asked:
"Do all babies have soft spots on their heads?"
"Yes."
"Did papa have a soft spot on the top of his head when he was a baby?"
"Yes," replied the mother with a sigh, "and he has got it yet."
And the old man, who had heard the conversation from an adjoining room, said:
"Yes, indeed he has, my dear boy, or he would be a single man today."

Going the Rounds.
Aunt Dinah—Major, if you'd gimme an' old path breeches you'll make fob hanta glad.
Major—Duh—Four, sorry?
Aunt Dinah—Four, sah. De ole man will wear dem fur awhile, fo gib dem to Jim. Den Jim will gib dem to Pete, an' after Pete wears dem far awhile he'll put dem on de mule to keep de mule off his hind legs.

Universal Music.
Professor of Music—What note have all the great composers and singers been most partial to?
Fecious Pupil—A banknote.

Tart Retort.
He—Will you be my wife?
She—The idiot. Don't be ridiculous.
He—Yes, I know it sounds ridiculous, but, then, I'm not so particular as some men are.

In all chronology the day is recognized as the most obvious division of time, next to being the interval between one new moon and its successor.

Don't drink tea with meat.
Don't drink tea with a kaffe.
Don't drink much at meals.
Don't eat with a spoon.
Don't overdo the table.
Don't serve up stew after fish.
Don't eat much for breakfast.
Don't think when overworked.
Don't bite off a piece of bread.
Don't eat after 10 o'clock p.m.
Don't eat much when traveling.
Don't serve luncheon without toast.
Don't eat too soon after exercise.
Don't always drink when thirsty.
Don't serve asparagus with meat.
Don't use a knife for green salads.
Don't eat everything that you like.
Don't drink tea at all for dinner.
Don't drink ice water with hot food.
Don't drink water from a city river.
Don't serve soup later to any guest.
Don't eat boiled eggs from a tin can.
Don't send the servant at the table.
Don't eat anything that you don't like.
Don't serve hot drinks on cold plates.
Don't eat to please anybody but your self.

Don't wear boiled fish without potatoes.
Don't overdo the table or the guest with food.
Don't serve more than two vegetables with one meat.
Don't use strong scented flowers for table decorations.

A Diplomat's Soldier.
According to the Paris Piccolo, it was at Compiegne that the King of Rome, "The Emperor," granted the first position that was presented to him. He had reached the mature age of six months when an old soldier who had already received many favors from the emperor decided that he would like to advance his position to the left to the throne and thus work on Napoleon's sympathies. He addressed his petition to his majesty, the king of Rome.

Napoleon smiled when he read the address and ordered the Duke of Friuli to take the paper to the king and read it to him. This was done with due ceremony and state, and the duke returned to the emperor.
"What did his majesty say?" asked Napoleon.
"Nothing," replied the duke.
"Silence," gives command," said the emperor. "See that the old rascal of a soldier gets what he wants."

Specify Details.
The tramp was very tired and sorely in need of something to devour. He approached a farmhouse and, meeting the farmer's wife, asked:
"Give me something to eat, the cravings of the inner man and I will tell all the rats about the place."
"Agreed," was the answer.
He was given a good plate of meat and bread, which he consumed speedily, and then asked for the farmer's map of the farm. It was found. Receiving the club he sat down upon the threshold and said to the farmer's wife:
"Now, bring out your rat."
"Moral—Always have the details specified in a contract.—London Spectator.

A Dead Beat With One Entry.
"What's the funniest thing I ever saw?" repeated the gentleman of sporting tendencies. "Well, I guess it was a dead beat in an event where there was only one entry."
"How in the world was that?" came from the other end of the store, and when the answer came, "A comedian," the questioner ordered the cigars.

In place of wedding cake in Holland wedding sweets are given. "Braid makers" they are called. They are knitted by children, and are served in flower-trimmed baskets.

Shoe—Well, you must be careful not to overexert yourself, Jack.

Contrasts.
Faisle de wife and her friend!
Kiss he can't own all de assets!
Outside a George Banjo
En a nigger's dander feet!

Qualified Praise.
"Just got my new photographs. Fine, aren't they?"
"Splendid. Glad you told me who it was."

Not Came.
"She's not received in the best society, I'm told."
"No; entre nous, she gets cold feet at bridge."

Roses and Thorns.
The bitter mingled with the sweet in brown October's cup.
No more we gaze in summer's haze, But cold is going up.

A Family Affair.
"What a pity you are going to marry a man of no family, dear?"
"Well, it's better than marrying a man with any blood."

Seasonable.
The frost is on the pumpkin and the fiddle's in the shock,
And mornings now are very sharp at five or six o'clock.
—Detroit Free Press.

Just a Beginner.
She—Has she many friends in society?
He—Oh, yes; she hasn't been in long, you know.

The Present Test of Wealth.
The man who is in the country dwells Full oft adopts a jaunty tone,
He courts the man who buys or sells; He has pocketed his own bone.

Birthday Privilege.
Children in chorus—Many happy returns of the day, grandpa, and mamma says if you give us each fifty cents we won't lose it!

Mainly Influence.
He came home from the autumn
With health somewhat precarious
And to inquiring friends he said
He guessed he was Malarious.

Not His First Love.
She—I suppose you will commit suicide if I refuse you?
He—That has been my custom—Smart Set.

Their Last Chance.
Some girls marry for the autumn,
When the leaves begin to fall—
That is, if the dear girls ever
Get a chance to wed at all.

Financial.
She—Were you upset by the bank failure?
He—Yes; I lost my balance—Boston Herald.

Embarrassing.
"The man I think is best before speaking: His tongue is addicted to jinks, And he who speaks without thinking is apt to speak just what he thinks."

Properly Described.
"After all, what is 'franchise'?"
"An incentive to trade."

Aims, He Cannot.
Mean against, battling with to fight,
With right side with one more,
And in his train will come the night
Who never ends the date.

"I suppose you will admit," said Mr. Martin, "that the Duke of York is a well-bred Englishman?"
His auditors were probably too shocked by the question to admit or deny anything.
"Well," he continued, "I have just heard the Duke speak, and I notice that he doesn't talk English the way you fellows talk English. I don't understand it at all."
Which suggests that in Vancouver as in Toronto the Duke's English has given the prevailing fashionable accent a bad job.

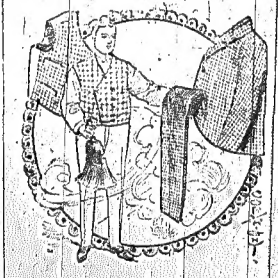
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In the High Court of Justice

PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT of the High Court of Justice made in a certain action wherein William Nickson was plaintiff and George Dreyer et al defendants, I have proceeded to wind up the affairs of the partnership carried on between the late John W. Golding, David J. Mother and Silas I. Griffin under the firm name of "Silas I. Griffin." The creditors therefore of the said firm of "Silas I. Griffin" are to send by post, prepaid, to Joseph Edward Bird, the Solicitor for Thos. Muir, administrators of the Golding estate, their claims and sundries, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of the securities, if any, held by them, or in default thereof, they will be preemptively excluded from the benefit of the said judgment. Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before me at my Chambers at the Court House in the Town of Rat Portage on Monday, the 10th day of March, 1902, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for the adjudication upon the claims. Dated this 18th day of January, 1902.
T. W. CHAPPLE,
Local Master.

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Application to Parliament.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario at its next session for an Act—
1. To confirm and legalize a By-Law of the Municipality of the Town of Rat Portage passed on the 21st day of August, A.D. 1901, entitled "By-Law No. 316 By-Law to provide for the issue of Debentures of the Town of Rat Portage to the amount of Twenty thousand dollars and to raise the sum required therefor for the purpose of making connections between the system of Waterworks existing in the Town of Rat Portage and the system of Waterworks existing in the Town of Rat Portage and the system of Waterworks existing in the Town of Rat Portage."
2. Confirming on the said Municipality of the Town of Rat Portage power to take over the Electric Light System and Undertaking and Plant of the Citizens' Telephone and Electric Company of the Town of Rat Portage and the provisions of "The Municipal Act" and amendments thereto or otherwise.
ALLAN McLENNAN,
Solicitor for the Town of Rat Portage.
Dated at Rat Portage,
January 7th, 1902.

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sang a number in the ancient Gaelic, and respond to the most flattering encomiums with others dear to the Gaelic heart."—Duluth News-Tribune.

Mr. A. Blum of the 20th Century Mining Co., was in town Saturday.

Mr. Jno. Werner is on deck again after his short illness.

The well known solo from the Hagenots "Noble Knights," gave opportunity for Mrs. Florence N. Sykes to display a good voice and an admirable method. This lady should give more attention to this class of music. Tribune, Winnipeg.

Mr. Ed. R. Jones, late of the Hilliard, has taken the position of chief clerk at the Russell.

The Free Press Sporting Editor makes a mean throw in his comments on the reading of the reports of the Victoria-Wellington match in the Rotunda of the Hilliard. He should not think that he's the Bell Cow among sporting editors.

Mr. Fred Button of the 20th Century Mining Company, is home suffering from blood poisoning.

The Michigan and Ohio Mining Co.

at the pumping station in Rat Portage, which will show the number of pounds of water pressure used at the fire; also the very time the fire-pressure was raised, and the length of time the fire pressure was carried. It seems to me that a person can take no better way of showing the public how little he knows of what is going on at the present age than to make such statements as have been made through the press re the water supply of last Monday morning's fire.

If there was no recording gauge at all showing the water pressure carried at the fire or the length of time carried, so that we would have to take the engineer's word entirely for this, even then such a statement as the water supply giving out would be entirely out of place, but as there is a recording gauge that will tell at all times the number of pounds water pressure carried, I think that the supply of water should not for one moment be questioned.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for this little space in your paper.

Yours,
R. A. CAYNE

To the Editor of the Miner:

A Mother's Warning.

SPEAKS OF A TROUBLE THAT AFFLICTS MANY YOUNG GIRLS.

Headaches, Dizziness, Heart Palpitation, Fickle Appetite and Pallor the Early Symptoms of Decay.

From the Sun, Orangeville, Ont.

Hard study at school occupied with the lack of attention which every young girl merging into womanhood should have, is responsible not only for the many pale faces and attenuated forms met with such lamentable frequency, but is responsible also for the loss of many valuable young lives. First there is an occasional headache, and a sallowness of complexion, from which stages, if these early symptoms are neglected, the condition gradually grows worse and worse until decline or consumption sets in and death claims another victim of parental neglect. Upon mothers, especially, devolves a great responsibility as their daughters approach womanhood. The following truthful story told by a reporter of the Sun by Mrs. O. Herman, said: "About fifteen months ago my daughter, Kate, while attending the public school, studied hard. We noticed that the

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Scrub white sheepskin rugs with castile soap and water to clean them.

Mother of pearl may be cleaned by washing it with whitening and cold water. Use neither soap nor soda.

Absorbent cotton, it is said, if applied at once will prevent any traces of a stain being left by oil, milk or cream spilled on wooden goods.

Insect specks may be removed from gilded picture frames by dipping a soft camel's hair brush in alcohol and applying it to the spots.

A leak in a gas pipe may be located without the use of a light by painting the pipe with soap and water. Bubbles will indicate where the leak is.

You can drive rats out of the house and away from the barn or granary by scattering strong quinine in the runways. They cannot stand its action on their feet.

To polish wood take a piece of pumice stone and water and pass regularly over the wood until the rising of the grain is cut down; then take powdered tripoli and boiled linseed oil and polish to a bright surface.

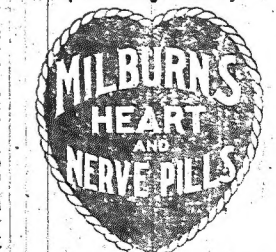
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Old Names For Gass.

As the use of artillery became more common and the characters of portable

STRONG AND VIGOROUS.

Every Organ of the Body Toned up and Invigorated by



Mr. F. W. Meyers, King St. E. Port Arthur, Ont., says: "I suffered for five years with palpitation, weakness of heart, sleeplessness and pain in the head, not one box of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills completely removed all these distressing symptoms. I have not suffered since taking them, and now sleep well and feel strong and vigorous."



Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the first Meeting of the Shareholders of the Little Belts Gold Mining Company of Ontario, Limited, will be held at the office of the Company, Main Street, Rat Portage, on Monday, February 10th, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, for completing the organization of the company and for the transaction of any other necessary business.

Held at Rat Portage this 31st day of January, A. D. 1912.

THOS. WALSH, Secretary.

Notice of Meeting

Public notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Triggs Gold Mining Company of Ontario, Limited, will be held at the head office of the Company in the Town of Rat Portage, in the Province of Ontario, on Monday, the 10th day of February, A. D. 1912, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors for the past year and electing directors for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

Held this 31st day of January, 1912.
RAYMOND S. FARR, Secretary

No Need of Making a Walking Medicine Bottle of Yourself.

THE Norwegian Cod Liver Oil is a Food which will do away with the necessity of drugs. Builds up the debilitated system in quick time. 25c and 50c per bottle.

FOR those who cannot take plain Cod Liver Oil we have all the different kinds of Emulsions.

Wood's Drug Store
Cor. Matheson and Fort. Rat Portage.

Local Interest

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Marchant wish to thank the citizens in general for the kind assistance rendered them during their recent loss occasioned by fire, which destroyed their house and household effects.

Mr. Hilliard has prepared accommodation for the transient public at the Hilliard opera house block, and hereafter bus will meet all trains.

A concert and oratorio is announced to be held in Knox church on Thursday evening next. Mrs. Florence M. Sykes, the talented soprano, will be the leading feature. She comes with the highest recommendations, Mrs. McLean, Miss Lamond, Miss Weidman, and Messrs. H. and A. Sutherland will also take part.

Chief Esmonts, of the Provincial Police, has returned from his trip to the lumber camps to the south.

The One O'Clock Club have issued invitations to a dance at St. George's hall on Thursday evening.

Cleopatra, Fine Khot. "Mrs. Sykes was down for six numbers, but was compelled by the delighted audience to make it twelve. Her singing shows that she has talent of a superior nature. Her complexion is so distinct that very well is clearly understood. She possesses a voice of charming sweetness, purity and power and sings without any apparent effort." She will sing at Knox Church on Thursday evening, Feb. 6th.

Mrs. T. G. Sykes, who attended the Halloween entertainment of Glen Stewart of the O. S. C. at Duluth Thursday evening received much favorable comment on a solo she sang at the gathering. The Duluth News Tribune says: "The hit of the evening was noted by Mrs. Florence N. Sykes, who

guenots. "Noble knights, raven opportunity for Mrs. Florence N. Sykes to display a good voice and an admirable method. This lady should give more attention to this class of music. Tribune, Winnipeg.

Mr. Ed. R. Jones, late of the Hilliard, has taken the position of chief clerk at the Russell.

The Free Press Sporting Editor makes a mean throw in his comments on the reading of the reports of the Victoria-Wellington match in the Rotunda of the Hilliard. He should not think that he's the Bell Cow among sporting editors.

Mr. Fred Button of the 20th Century Mining Company, is home suffering from blood poisoning.

The Michigan and Ohio Mining Co. have let a contract to Mr. Proudlock for 100 feet of further sinking on their property. The work will commence on the 15th inst.

IN MEMORIAM.

The members of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers employed on the Fort William, Ignace, and Rat Portage sections of the C. P. R. at a recent meeting unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"We solemnly tender our profound sympathy to the relatives of our deceased Bro. G. M. Gould, whose death occurred Jan. 25th. He for some time past creditably filled the office of chairman of the organization. His services were ever cheerfully given in the interests of our noble order. His happy disposition and courteous manners endeared him to all who knew him, therefore be it

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of so faithful an officer, beloved brother and friend from our ranks, and be it further

Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the relatives of deceased and also to our official organ." W. J. O'NEIL, W. H. McNALLY, Chairman. Secy.

Peoples Forum

We do not hold ourselves responsible for any opinions expressed by our correspondents. All letters must be accompanied with name and address, and no responsibility is assumed, but as a guarantee of good faith.

In the Editor of The Miner:

Rat Portage, Feb. 3, 1902.
According to some statements made in some of the newspapers to the west of us we feel inclined to think that those newspapers, or rather some of their correspondents, are not living in the age of today, or at least they must be entirely at the foot of the class. If that statement re the water supply giving out during the fire of last Monday morning could have been made twenty-five years ago we would not have taken so much notice of it, but at this age and with the fact fronting us that there are machines called recording gauges, one of which can be seen

the water supply of last Monday morning's fire.
If there was no recording gauge at all showing the water pressure carried at the fire or the length of time carried, so that we would have to take the engineer's word entirely for this, even then such a statement as the water supply giving out would be entirely out of place, but as there is recording gauge that will tell at all times, the number of pounds water pressure carried, I think that the supply of water should not for one moment be questioned.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for this little space in your paper.

Yours,
RATPORTAGE.

To the Editor of The Miner:
Toronto, Feb. 1, 1902.

Sir: I notice in your report of the Keshaw fire you state "but owing to the failure on the part of the C. T. & E. Co's central office to notify the power house, etc." and again in your editorial you give expression to ex-secretary Taylor's view of the position of the C. T. & E. Co., when I am sure, that that gentleman does not know or possibly has never seen any agreement between the town and the company, and therefore does not know what obligations the company are under. Chief Nicholson is correct—our contract is to maintain the alarm system operated; we do not undertake to turn in alarms, as in time of fire our operators have their hands full attending to their duties, and in the rush it might—if it were their duty—be overlooked. Knowing the rush of calls at a time of fire, I have on several occasions recommended to the councils of several years the advisability of placing an alarm box in the fire hall, so that when a telephone alarm or one brought by messenger comes in, the same party who pulls the town bell can also pull the box.

I think, sir, before you criticize a company and attribute neglect to them you should make yourself conversant with the terms of their undertaking, as I believe you have no disposition to act fairly, and I think we are entitled to fair play. You had just as much occasion to say that "owing to the neglect of the Miner not calling up and notifying the pump house, etc." at being your duty just as much as the C. T. & E. Co. or of any other citizen. We undertake to keep up the system of wires, etc., and supply battery power. The turning in of alarms is a duty of the public generally.

Respectfully yours,
J. A. McCORMAN.

Depressed and Discouraged.

It is remarkable how thoroughly the whole system is thrown out of order when the nerves become weak and exhausted. All energy and ambition seems to disappear; the mind wanders, memory fails and despondency reigns supreme. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food puts new vigour and energy into the brain, nerves and body, builds up the system and prevents paralysis, prostration and insanity.

Symptoms of Decay.

Hard study at school, occupied with the lack of attention which every young girl entering into womanhood should have, is responsible not only for the many pale faces and attenuated forms met with here, but is responsible also for the loss of many valuable young lives. First there is an occasional headache, and a salubrious complexion, from which stages, if these early symptoms are neglected, the condition gradually grows worse and worse until decline or consumption sets in and death claims the victim. A rational method of treatment, mothers especially, deserves a great responsibility as their daughters approach womanhood. The following truthful story told of a reporter of the Sun by Mrs. O. Herman said:—About fifteen months ago my daughter, Kate, while attending the public school began to complain of a queer and bitter feeling. She would be attacked with spots of dizziness, and on the least exertion her heart would palpitate violently, and we were really afraid she would not recover. At this stage my husband suggested that we should try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and he brought home several boxes. Kate had only taken the pills a few days when there was a great change for the better. (She grew stronger, began to eat better and to have better color, and from this stage it was not long until she was again enjoying the best of health and able to resume her studies at school. I might also tell you that the pills cured my daughter Emma of an attack of rheumatism, at that you see we have a person to praise them, and I earnestly recommend to all mothers whose daughters may be suffering as mine did.)

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure all diseases that have their origin either in a poor or watery condition of the blood or shattered nerves. It is because they make rich red blood and strengthen the nerves with every dose that they cure such troubles as anaemia, consumption in its early stages, nervous headache, St. Vitus dance, rheumatism, partial paralysis, kidney trouble, indigestion, etc. Ordinary medicine merely act upon the symptoms of the trouble, and when such medicines are discontinued the trouble returns, often in an aggravated form. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills on the contrary go direct to the root of the trouble and cure to stay cured. See that the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," is found on the wrapper of every box. Your dealer does not tell you the second direct and they will be mailed, post paid, at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Mines Publishing Co. of Rat Portage, Limited, will be held at the Miner office, Rat Portage, on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 1902, at 8 p.m., for the reading of the report of directors and other business.
Dated at Rat Portage, Jan. 30, 1902.
J. P. KARNOFF, Secretary.

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Old Names For Guns.

As the use of artillery became more common and the advantages of portability and a greater rapidity of fire were recognized guns, except among the originals, became smaller, but of better workmanship and construction. Inventors began to try their hands at all sorts of improvements or attempts at improvement, and in the course of a hundred years or so the number of different pieces of cannon, large and small, muzzle or breech loading, was simply legion. There were cannon, cannon royal and demiculverin, three or four classes of culverins, bombardiers, mortars, perriers, serpentes, cartouches, curatils, pas-évolants, or zébratons, basilisks, orgues, saehes, minions, majestés, falcons and falconets, rôbécques, fowlers, buses, alings, potpeices, murrillers, drakes, aspies, double dogs and lagers, to say nothing of rhabdoquins, flying dragons and partridge mortars.

The Harmattan or Withering Wind.

The name of harmattan has been given a periodical wind which blows from the interior of Africa toward the Atlantic during the three months of December, January and February. It is in with a fog or dry haze which sometimes conceals the sun for whole weeks together. Every plant, every bit of grass and leaf, in its course is withered as though it had been seared by heat from a furnace; often within an hour after it begins to blow green grass is dry enough to burn like paper. Even the hardestiest natives lose all of the skin on exposed parts during the prevalence of this withering wind.

A Boy's Delight.

Clifford was a good sized boy, but was still in knickerbockers. He had lost a near and dear relative and was heartbroken. A wealthy uncle on a visit to the family undertook to divert his mind.
"Clifford, my boy," said the uncle, "we'll go down town pretty soon, and I want you to think up something you would rather have than anything else in this world. Make up your mind now, and we'll get it, no matter what it is."
Clifford reflected for several minutes. Then his face brightened.
"Get me a pair of suspenders, uncle," he said.

The Polite Young Man.

"Yes," said the haughty young woman who was a Colonial Dame as well as a Daughter of the Revolution, "my great-great-grandfather fell at Bunker Hill."
"For or banana skin?" inquired the polite young man from Milwaukee.

Selling Out.

"But I thought that he was really selling out to quit business," said Tenspot.
"Yes," he was, replied Gilfoyle, "but he found it so profitable that he resolved to have a series of closing out sales."
Jude.

Subscribe for The Miner



Mr. F. W. Meyers, King St. E., Berlin, Ont., says: "I suffered for five years with palpitation, shortness of breath, sleeplessness and pain in the heart, my one box of Millburn's Heart and Nerve Pills completely removed all these distressing symptoms. I have now a healthy sleep, taking them, and now sleep well and feel strong and vigorous."
Millburn's Heart and Nerve Pills cure all diseases arising from weak heart, aching joints and such other troubles as may be brought before the meeting.
Dated this 21st day of January, 1902.
RAYMOND S. LAMB, Secretary.



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We make a feature of promptness. When we promise your suit on a given date we'll have it ready. You need not worry about the time any more than about the quality of the goods or the fit of the clothes. You may depend on us.

Hall's For Fine Tailoring MAIN STREET.

"Certain good is better than uncertain hope."
Certain value, up to the Makers' price, stamped on the sole, \$3 50, \$5.00, is pledged in every pair of

"The Slater Shoe"

Goodyear Welted.

Gardner, Rice, McLeod Co., Limited
Sole Local Agents.

Notice of Meeting

Public notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Franks Gold Mining Company of Ontario, Limited, will be held at the headquarters of the Company in the Town of St. Catharines, in the Province of Ontario, on Monday, the 10th day of February, A. D. 1902, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors for the past year and electing directors for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be brought before the meeting.
Dated this 21st day of January, 1902.
RAYMOND S. LAMB, Secretary.

LAND TITLES ACT Mortgage Sale OF VALUABLE PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT OF RAT PORTAGE.

Under power of sale contained in a certain power of mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be sold by public auction at the Town Hall at the Town of Rat Portage, by H. J. Parrott, auctioneer, on Friday, the 28th day of February, A. D. 1902, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, the following valuable property, namely:—
That certain parcel of land registered under the Land Titles Act as parcel 3380 in the Registrar for Rat Portage, situated in the District of Rat Portage and Province of Ontario, namely:—
1. That part of Block "A" in the said district of Rat Portage as shown on a Plan M. 28 filed in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage, and particularly described as follows:—Commencing at a point in the northern limit of the right of way of the Canadian Pacific Railway at the distance of 3.25 chains West perpendicular from the East boundary of said Block "A," thence North parallel to the aforesaid East boundary of said Block "A" the distance of 16.43 chains to the Southernly limit of the Colonization Road, thence Southwesterly along the Southernly limit of said Colonization Road to the North-east corner of the said Block "A," thence South along the East boundary of the said Block "A" a distance of 14.47 chains to the South-east corner thereof, thence westerly along the northern limit to the right of way of the Canadian Pacific Railway to the place of beginning, containing five acres, more or less.

2. Block "B" in the said District as shown on above Plan M. 28 filed in the office of Land Titles at Rat Portage.
On the said part of Block "A" is said to be erected a rough-cast cott. of about 24x32 ft. and upon said site is a rough-cast cottage about 24x26 ft., a frame barn about 36x24 ft., and milk-house about 12x14 ft.
The said property is very advantageously situated in and adjacent to the Town of Rat Portage and is suitable for farm or dairy purposes.

Ten per cent. of the purchase money at the time of sale and the balance in 30 days thereafter.
For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to
ALLAN MCLENNAN, Solicitor &c., Rat Portage.
Solicitor for the day of January, 1902.